

**BRIAN STUARD (-1)**

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**Q. Brian, welcome back. What was the round like today? Didn't seem like you were getting much roll on your drives. What was the course like? What was your round like?**

**BRIAN STUARD:** Yeah, the course was pretty wet. Different than the last couple years, I would say, especially off the tee. Yeah, for me, just kind of couldn't get it going, just kind of one of those days. Didn't play bad, just kind of wasn't quite sharp enough.

**Q. You know here that you've got to get off to a fast start to be in contention. What do you think this does for you to set up tomorrow and then the rest of the tournament?**

**BRIAN STUARD:** Yeah, it kind of puts me behind the eight-ball a little bit. Just hopefully need to play really good tomorrow and see where that gets me.

**Q. And how's the season shaped up for you? T-30th I think at Travelers last week, good at Pebble Beach, good at the Heritage. What's the season been like for you?**

**BRIAN STUARD:** Yeah, you know, not very good really. Just kind of haven't -- kind of today was kind of my typical round, seems like. Just not getting much out of it, just kind of playing okay but just not quite good enough. I don't know, I thought last week was a little better. Maybe could have built on that a little bit, but today just kind of, I don't know, a little disappointing today.

**Q. And just what's it like -- you were fan favorite two years ago and you went T-5. What's the contingent like out here? Got the Golden Grizzly on your bag, I'm sure, still. What's it like to have the fans out here supporting you locally?**

**BRIAN STUARD:** Yeah, it's great. A lot of friend and family today, which was nice. It's cool to, like you said, have the fans back. Last year it was kind of, you know, one of those things. It's exciting to be back and playing in front of some fans.

**Q. I know your first shot today you dedicated, it was a dedication. Why was that important for you to do? I don't know how well you knew Tim, but why was that important for you to do today?**

**BRIAN STUARD:** I didn't know him personally very -- at all, I just knew he kind of meant a lot to a few guys who I've become close with, the Metro Detroit golf contingent. Just thought it would be a nice thing to do and just kind of honor his memory.